WHEREAS, Mathematics is the foundation discipline for science and technology and mathematical reasoning, analysis and problem-solving are increasingly vital in preparing youth to lead productive and responsible lives; and

WHEREAS, Mathematics is a living and growing discipline, continually being created and discovered. The power of mathematics is revealed in the richness and beauty of its intellectual structure and the diversity of its applications to almost every field of human endeavor; and

WHEREAS, The Joint Policy Board for mathematics- a joint venture of the American Mathematics Society, the Mathematical Association of America and the Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics- was established to articulate and advocate sound public policy concerning the mathematical sciences and the field’s ability to contribute to public welfare; and

WHEREAS, Mathematics Awareness Month 2016 will be observed nationwide during April with the theme of “The Future of Prediction;” and

WHEREAS, The Mathematics Department of the University of Kansas has planned several activates involving Kansas’ public schools, such as mathematics competitions for grades 3 through 12 and workshops for fifth graders; in addition to the other scheduled activates at the University, the Department has extended an open invitation for anyone to attend its lectures and colloquia during this month; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Mathematics of the University of Kansas is dedicated to the creation, application and teaching of mathematics and to serving the mathematical need of the community:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sam Brownback, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF KANSAS, do hereby proclaim April 2016, as

Mathematics Awareness Month

in Kansas and urge all its citizens to join in this observance.

DONE: At the Capitol in Topeka under the Great Seal of the State this 7th day of March, A.D. 2016

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Secretary of State

Assistant Secretary of State